



Visitor Use and Group Size Limits

Visitor Use Limits

- Social and resource indicators and standards used in determining per day/night use limits.
- Use limits re-evaluated on a yearly basis for resource concerns and every three years for social concerns.
- Based on current evaluation of indicators and standards, the use limits proposed for implementation in 2008 are outlined in the following table:

Use Limits			
Area	Current Use Limits	Proposed Use Limits	Limiting Factor
Zion Narrows	12 groups/night 80 day users/day	12 groups/night 40 day users/day	Social/Primitive Zone
LaVerkin Creek	17 groups/night	17 groups/night	Social/Primitive Zone. Day use currently not limited. Combination of day & overnight use currently exceeds standard & would be adjusted
West Rim	9 groups/night	9 groups/night	Social/Primitive Zone. Day use currently not limited. Combination of day & overnight use currently falls within standards.
Subway (Left Fork) , Keyhole Canyon	50 people/day	80 people/day	Social/Primitive Zone
Pine Ck Canyon, Orderville Canyon	50 people/day	50 people/day	Mexican spotted owls/Primitive Zone ¹
Mystery Canyon, Spry Canyon	12 people/day	12 people/day	Eroded access trail/Pristine Zone
Behunin Canyon, Echo Canyon	12 people/day	12 people/day	Mexican spotted owls/Pristine Zone ¹
Englestead Canyon	12 people/day	20 people/day	Social/Pristine Zone
¹ If areas where Mexican spotted owls are a limiting factor, use limits could be raised outside the nesting season.			

Group Size Limits

- Proposed group size limit consistent with comments received during the EA scoping and from VERP surveys
- Proposed group size limits would be monitored for effects on visitor experience and park resources
- If standards are exceeded group size limits could be modified
- Proposed group size limit for Pristine Zone slot canyons would be 6
- Proposed group size limit for Pristine Zone not in slot canyons would be 12
- Proposed group size limit for Primitive Zone would be 12